



13TH ANNUAL
DIVISION OF
SUPPLIER DIVERSITY
BUSINESS CONFERENCE

**TRANSFORMING
YOUR VISION**

OCTOBER 7, 2021

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Indiana Government Center South
302 West Washington Street,
Indianapolis, IN 46204

WELCOME

Thank you for joining us at the 13th Annual Division of Supplier Diversity Business Conference: Transforming Your Vision and Business to Business (B2B) Expo!

Throughout the year, our Division plans and participates in several educational programs and workshops that are specifically designed for the development of diverse business owners and their companies.

Each year, our annual business conference provides the opportunity to display the best and most exciting resources in a single event. It is our goal to introduce new information and present a refreshing take on the timeless information our attendees will find valuable.

This year's theme - Transforming Your Vision - focuses on readily available resources, tips, and techniques that can help your organization Transform Its Vision.

This conference also incorporates the B2B Expo. The Expo gives our existing and potential certified businesses, community partners, corporate leaders, and supplier diversity advocates an exceptional opportunity to connect with each other.

We appreciate the time you have taken to participate in today's conference! We hope you use this as an opportunity to network, succeed, and prosper!

Regards,

DIVISION OF SUPPLIER DIVERSITY (DSD) TEAM

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Today's Agenda

Transforming Your Vision

Registration

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

**Location: Indiana Government Center
South Conference Center**

Welcome Remarks

8:35 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.

Location: Atrium

Presenter

- Maia Siprashvili, Deputy Commissioner, Indiana Department of Administration Division of Supplier Diversity
 - Dr. Rebecca Holwerda, Commissioner, Indiana Department of Administration
 - Gregory Wilson, Chairman, Governor's Commission on Supplier Diversity and Executive Director, Indiana Civil Rights Commission
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WORKSHOP BLOCK 1

9:00 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.

**Using Your Certification to Stand Out:
MBE/WBE and IVOSB Certification**

Location: Conference Room #17

Presenter

- Maia Siprashvili, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Supplier Diversity
- Gregory Wilson, Chairman, Governor's Commission on Supplier Diversity and Executive Director, Indiana Civil Rights Commission
- Carl Ellison, President and CEO, Indiana Minority Health Coalition
- Teresa Butler, President, BUC Construction Supply, Inc.
- Danny Portee, President and CEO, Professional Management Enterprises Inc.

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WORKSHOP BLOCK 1

9:00 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.

Preparation Meeting Opportunity

Location: Conference Room #14

Presenter

- Corlisha Mitchell, Director of Contract Compliance, Division of Supplier Diversity
 - Emily Cranfill, Senior Account Manager, Indiana Department of Administration Procurement Division
 - Tammera Glickman, Assistant Deputy General Counsel, Indiana Department of Administration
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WORKSHOP BLOCK 2

Their Business is Your Business

10:00 a.m. - 10:55 a.m.

Location: Conference Room #22

Presenter

- Keshia Rich, Director of Certification, Division of Supplier Diversity
 - Marita Steltenpohl, Indiana Department of Administration Division of Public Works
 - Sean Howard, DBE Supportive Services Lead, Indiana Department of Transportation
 - Ava Taylor, Manager, Planning and Development, City of Indianapolis
 - Chelci Hunter, Senior Supplier Diversity Officer, INDYGO
 - Jia Ye, Sourcing Manager Supply Chain and Matt Schaaf, Senior Estimator, Infrastructure & Energy Alternatives, Inc. (IEA)
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WORKSHOP BLOCK 3

Your Force in Resource

11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m.

Location: Conference Room #17

Presenter

- Corlisha Mitchell, Director of Contract Compliance, Division of Supplier Diversity
- Christine Jeffers, State Director, Indiana Procurement Technical Assistance Center
- Joseph DeVito, Outreach Director, Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs
- Holli Harrington, Senior Director, Supplier Diversity and Diversity Officer, Indiana Airport Authority
- David Watkins, State Director, Indiana Small Business Development Center

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WORKSHOP BLOCK 3

Let's Get Bonded

11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m.

Location: Conference Room #14

Presenter

- Maia Siprashvili, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Supplier Diversity
 - Martin Anderson, Deputy District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration
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WORKSHOP BLOCK 4

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Conference Room #22

Presenter

- Corlisha Mitchell, Director of Contract Compliance, Division of Supplier Diversity
 - Michelle Hammer, Senior Government Sales Manager, W.W. Grainger
 - Allison Sistare, Senior Channel Business Manager, W.W. Grainger
 - Jan Lorenzano, CEO and Principal, Bright Ideas in Broad Ripple, Inc.
 - April Lam, Business Change Manager, Anthem
 - Sandeep Allan, CEO, STLogics
 - Adrian Russell, Director of Diversity Equity & Inclusion/Procurement, Shiel Sexton
 - C. Shane Conner, President, ATEC, Inc.
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Let's Talk Business Relationships: Best Practices for Primes & Subcontractors

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Location: Atrium

1:05 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Cassandra Wilson Ignite Award

- **Recipient:** Marsha's Specialty Desserts & Tierney's Catering

Ralph W. Adams, Jr., Supplier Diversity Trailblazer Award

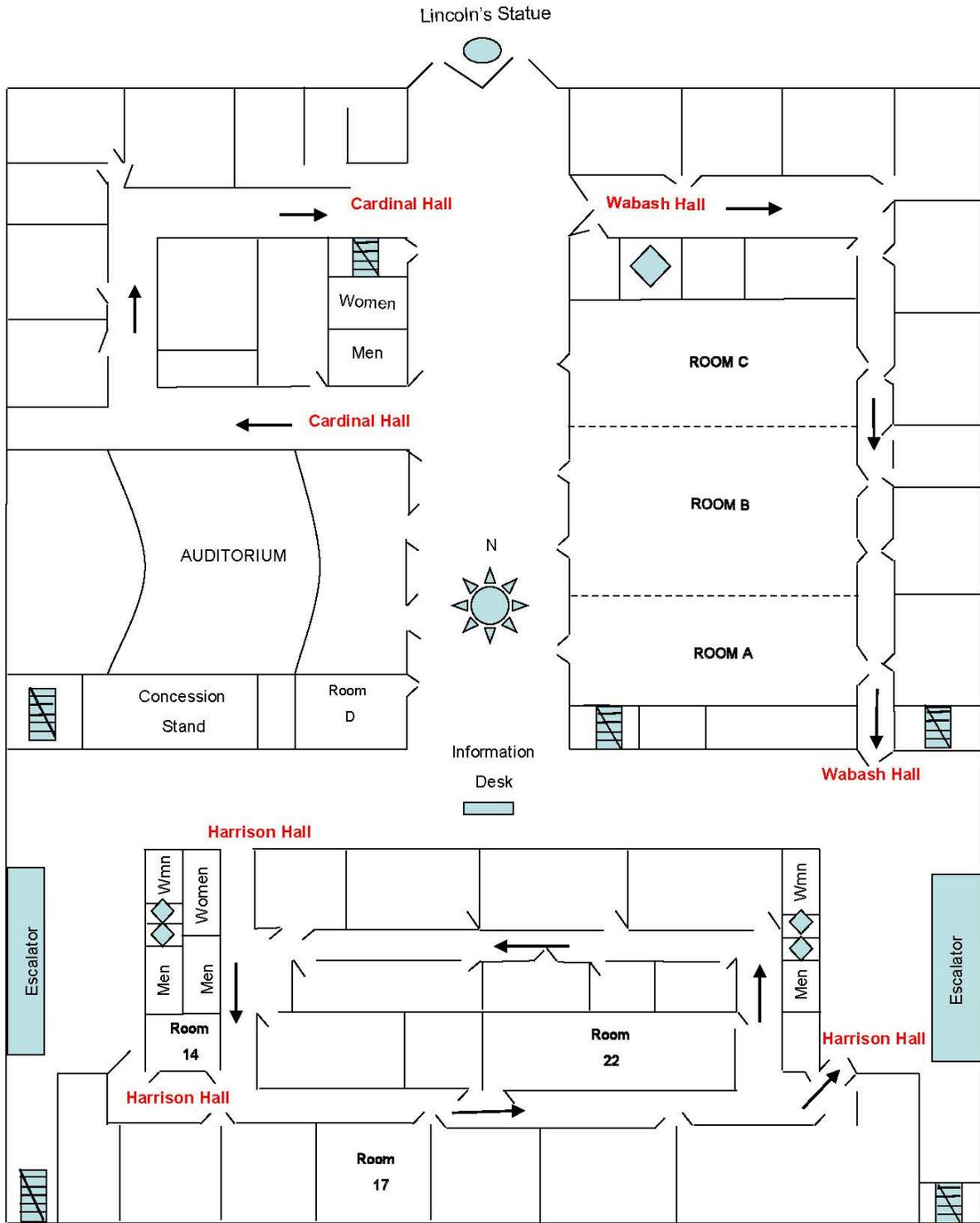
- **Recipient:** Rite Quality
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NETWORKING LUNCH & B2B EXPO

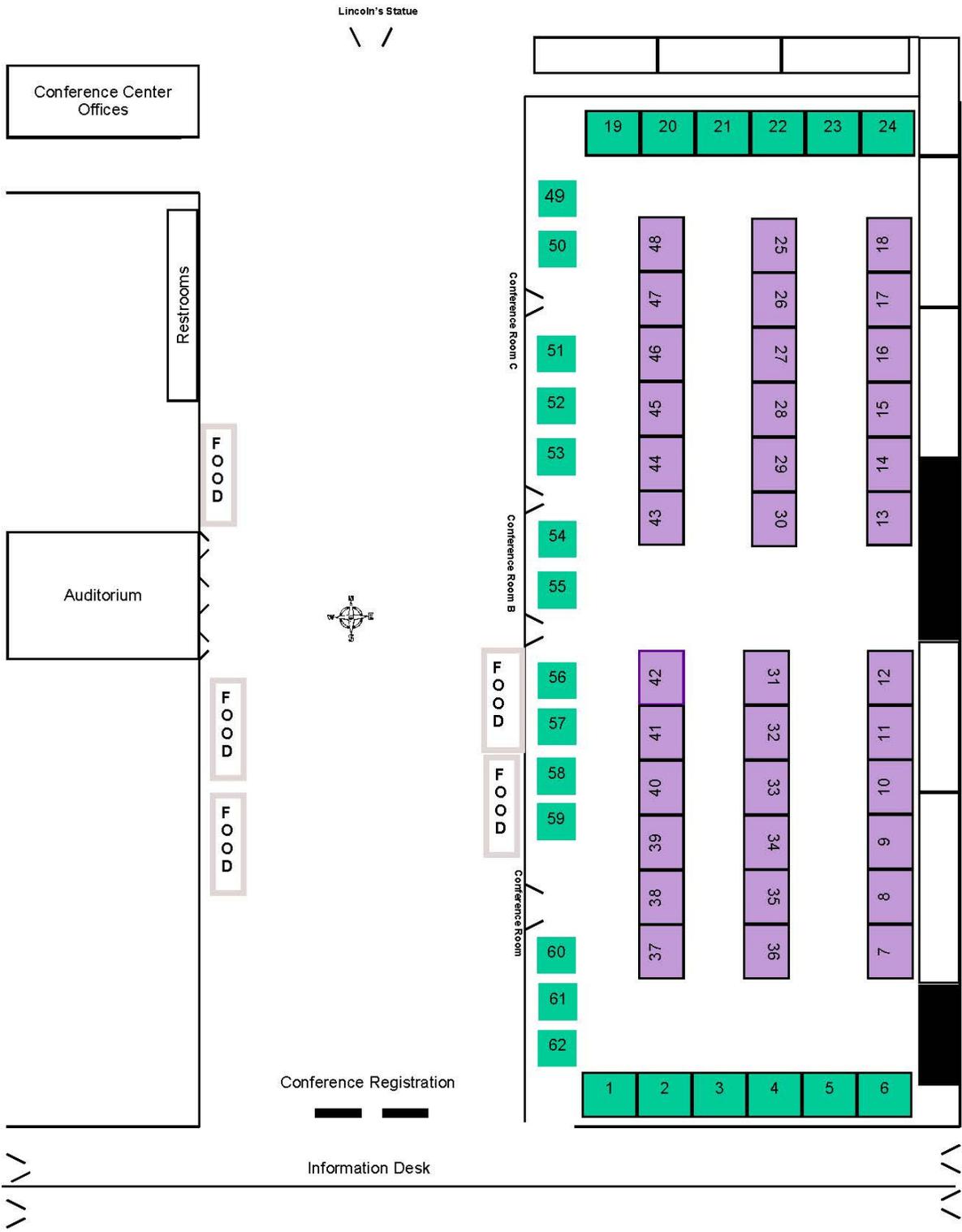
Location: Conference Rooms A+B+C

1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

CONFERENCE CENTER FLOOR PLAN



B2B EXPO FLOOR PLAN



AWARD RECIPIENTS

CASSONDRA WILSON IGNITE AWARD

Marsha's Specialty Desserts & Tierney's Catering



Marsha's Specialty Desserts & Tierney's Catering is an IDOA-certified MBE/WBE desserts and catering shop located in Avon, Indiana. The firm is family owned with 6 members who have over 30 years of baking and cooking experience, specializing in cupcakes, cakes, pies, cookies, and cake pops, in a variety of flavors, as well as, prepared meats, vegetables, prepare salads, cheeses, and breads. As a member of Indiana Grown & Indiana Artisan, Marsha's Specialty Desserts was selected as the People's Choice award winner in 2018 and 2019 at the Indianapolis Zoo Zoobilation.

Community service is embedded in their organization as they frequently partner with the Children's Museum, Riley Hospital, Avon Police Department, Avon Fire Department, and the Julian Center.

Congratulations Marsha's Specialty Desserts & Tierney's Catering!

RALPH W. ADAMS, JR., SUPPLIER DIVERSITY TRAILBLAZER AWARD

Rite Quality

Douglas Vaughn started his humble beginnings as an impoverished child in Haiti. He overcame many obstacles and established Rite Quality in 1989. Rite Quality is a certified MBE/DBE/SBE/SDB that transforms workplaces through furniture, Jan/San, office products, safety/MRO, and PPE supplies. His daughters serve as the second-generation leaders: Christina and Kimberly Vaughn who are positioning the company for next-level growth and strategic partnerships.

Forty years ago, Douglas began a non-profit, TheHESP.org, that still supports Haitian children with food, clothes, and education. H.E.S.P. has hosted vision clinics, school renovations, and school supply donations.

Congratulations Rite Quality!



On behalf of the Division of Supplier Diversity, we thank you for attending this year's conference!

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